

WDS Academic Research Award Application Form

Name of Applicant: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Title of Research Project: _____

Applicant Eligibility:

Refer to criteria for selection to be sure you are eligible for consideration.

Required Application Materials:

Assemble the following items, in the order presented, for your application package. Refer to the award requirements criteria for selection. Number the pages of your application continuously. Once complete, place this form on top of all your application materials. **Submit all items listed below, one original hardcopy (except photo) and one electronic copy (email or cd) to the WDS for consideration.**

1. Research Award Application Form
2. Applicant's CV/Biographical Sketch
3. Mentor's Biographical Sketch
4. Layman's Statement (1 page)
5. Research Proposal
(No more than 6 pages including Budget portion)
6. Proposed Budget
7. Letter of Support from Department Chair
8. Letter of Support from Mentor
9. Copies of Relevant Publications (maximum of 2)
10. Head and Shoulder Photo in Electronic Format

To Apply

You may apply for an Academic Research Award in one of two ways:

1 Send the application and required materials to:

Women's Dermatologic Society
700 N Fairfax St., Suite 510
Alexandria, VA 22314

toll-free: 1-877-WDS-ROSE (937-7673)
tel: (571) 527-3115 fax: (571) 527-3105
email: wds@womensderm.org
www.womensderm.org

2 Apply online at:

Application form can be downloaded from the WDS website, www.womensderm.org

Application deadline: Oct. 7, 2011
Announcement: January 31, 2012

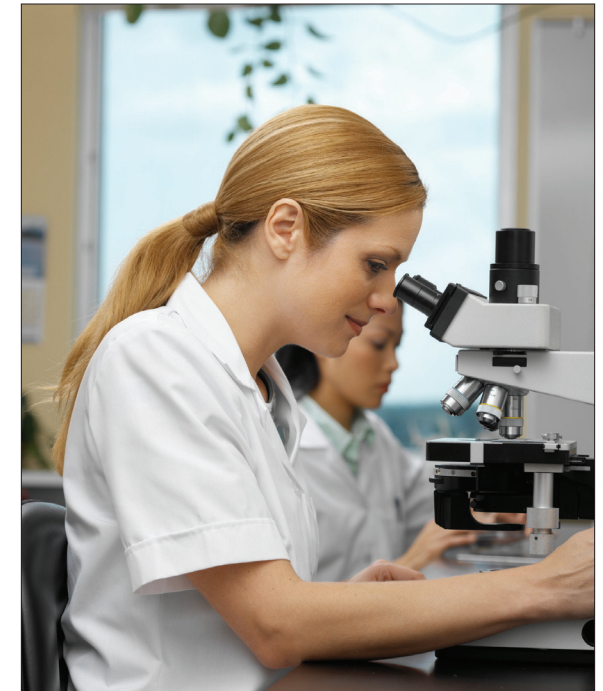


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WDS Academic Research Award Program

For Residents and Early Career Dermatologists



The WDS Academic Research Award provides funding for residents and early-career dermatologists performing basic science or clinical research relevant to the field of dermatology. Awards in the amount of up to \$10,000 each are awarded on a competitive basis. These awards are intended to help the recipient further his or her academic career, and may serve as a basis for obtaining further funding.

Please see website for list of currently funded projects and grant recipients.

Selection Criteria

Awards will be awarded on the basis of scientific merit and the anticipated impact of the project on the field of dermatology. Preference will be given to candidates who have demonstrated a clear intention of pursuing a career in academic medicine. Candidates with no other sources of funding may receive preferential consideration.

Application Requirements:

- Residents in an accredited dermatology training program or board-eligible or certified dermatologists who have completed dermatology residency training or fellowships within the previous 5 years are eligible to apply.
- Candidates must demonstrate a strong commitment to skin research, either clinical or basic science.
- Candidates should have received appropriate training in biomedical research or have a mentor available for instruction in this area (a letter of commitment from the mentor must accompany application).
- There should be evidence of institutional commitment for the individual's career development (a letter of commitment from the department chairman or other appropriate individual must accompany application).

Research Application:

A description of the proposed research project must accompany the application and must include the following elements. Please limit proposal to 6 pages.

1. **Name, Title, Abstract / Significance:** Provide a brief description of what will be accomplished and why it is important.
2. **Hypotheses and Specific Aims:** State your working hypothesis (or hypotheses) and the aims of the proposed studies.
3. **Background:** Describe the reasoning behind the proposal in the context of existing scientific knowledge.
4. **Experimental approach:** Describe how you plan to address the specific aims in terms of methodology and experimental design. Please limit to two pages.
5. **Budget:** List the principal components of your budget and provide sufficient justification and detail to allow critical evaluation by the committee.

Award Specifics:

- The award is not intended to cover indirect/overhead costs.
- Research awards must be used within two years of receipt.
- A summary of research results must be submitted at the end of the project for publication in the WDS newsletter.
- Candidates are eligible to receive only one award under this program. Prior recipients are ineligible.

Application Checklist:

- Curriculum Vitae/Biographical Sketch
- Research proposal
- Letter of commitment from mentor
- Letter of commitment from chairman and/or institution
- Copies of relevant publications

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WDS Mission Statement

TO FOSTER, PROMOTE and **SUPPORT** women's issues in dermatology;

TO IDENTIFY, TRAIN, and **RECOGNIZE** women leaders in dermatology;

TO PROVIDE a forum for developing relationships through mentoring and building of coalitions;

TO PROVIDE a forum for the exchange of ideas and research relevant to women's issues;

TO PROMOTE the highest possible standards of ethics, support of research, patient care, patient education and public education.

WDS Vision Statement

WDS ENVISIONS a professional environment which recognizes the unique contributions by women in dermatology.

WDS STRIVES to ensure that women in dermatology have full access and opportunity for professional advancement.

WDS FOCUSES on balancing the diverse demands of medicine, family, and community.

WDS ENCOURAGES and supports women to maximize their personal and professional potential and to contribute to our specialty and society.

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